

# The Owingsville Outlook.

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OWINGSVILLE, KENTUCKY, THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1898.

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Oliver gave to the world the chilled plow.

Easter Sunday was bright and pleasant until towards evening.

The Oliver still leads, others follow. Ramsey & Co.

Silas Corbin bought of Samuel Latham a yearling bull for \$37.50.

The talk about other chilled plows only advertises the Oliver.

The reported case of small-pox at Mt. Sterling proved to be chicken-pox.

The verdict of the people is "The Oliver is good enough for me."

I have a fine 4-year old, 15 1/2 hand, black Jack I wish to farm.

J. B. GOODPASTER.

All sizes of Vulcan Plow points, at Jno. A. Ramsey & Co's.

Pneumonia is remarkably prevalent among children throughout the county.

We have made you happy with the Oliver; now you need the Brown Double Shovel plow. Ramsey & Co.

The only real bargains to be found in Owingsville are at Mrs. Estill's.

John E. Fleming bought of G. W. McKinevan a 3-yr.-old bay horse for \$85.

You can rely on everything that you buy from Mrs. Estill being the latest style.

The "genuine Brown" is at the head of the Double Shovel Plow family. Try one.

Do not forget that Mrs. Estill will sell you the prettiest hat for less money than any one in town.

Why not plant your corn with a Drill? You can increase the yield 25 per cent. Ramsey & Co.

Have you seen those new Woolen Dress Goods at Mrs. Estill's? They are beautiful and the latest things out.

The "Front Rank" is now the most popular Corn Drill on the market. Ramsey & Co. have them.

All the new and desirable styles in Millinery at about 25 per cent. less than you can buy them elsewhere. Mrs. D. S. ESTILL.

T. S. Shroat is the only undertaker in the town doing business who has his Diploma for Embalming the Dead. Satisfaction guaranteed or no charge. 311f

H. A. Oursler resigned the office of Coroner Monday, and Judge Ramsey appointed W. D. Bailey, of South Sherburne precinct, to succeed him.

If you will stop in at Ramsey's you will find a large stock of 16, 18 and 20 foot hand-made cheek lines cheaper than ever sold in Owingsville.

Elder Geo. E. Boots will preach the funeral of Richard Collier at Fairview on the fourth Sunday in April.

Ramsey & Co. handle "Tiger" Harrows and Corn Drills, known as the best.

The I. N. Anderson tract of land, west of Wyoming, was purchased Monday by Will E. Estill at a cost of about \$2,160, including house and barns.

Brown Double Shovel plows and five-tooth Cultivators are the best. Jno. A. Ramsey & Co.

Ladies, you can go to Mrs. Estill's and get a complete outfit from a kerchief to an elegant dress and hat. She keeps everything that ladies wear.

A lady relative in town of Mrs. W. B. Henry desires us to state that it was a mistake in the Stepstone items saying Mrs. Henry was operated on for a floating tumor. Her illness was of a different nature.

THE BEST.—The Oliver is the only plow made that has a point in one piece. When you put on a point you have the cutter; you don't have to put on a shin-piece to complete the cutter; thus leaving a crack to catch trash.

I will sell you goods cheaper than anyone and give you a nice Gingham or Calico dress for every \$5 cash purchase. Mrs. ESTILL.

Dr. G. W. Conner informs us that he has the promise of some mares from a distance to breed to J. S. Brown. To see the horse will insure your patronage.

We are now offering for cash Galvanized Barbed Wire at \$2.25; Galvanized Smooth Wire, No. 9, cash, \$1.90. Other sizes smooth wire in proportion for cash.

JOHN A. RAMSEY & CO.

RECENT WINTER'S DAMAGES.—The late frozes appear to have killed the fruit bloom that was entirely out, but that in the bud may survive and make a partial crop. On Sunday and the bright warm days since the bees have been swarming among the blooms, which is an indication that a part is all right yet.

A few days after the frozes the farmers thought their tobacco plants would survive all right, but it is noticed that many of them are sowing new beds, which is a wise precaution.

The young clover and oats were not particularly injured.

You can raise 25 per cent. more corn on every acre planted by using a "Front Rank" Corn Drill. Call at Ramsey & Co's and see them.

The late A. D. Ruff's friend E. H. P. Palmer, aged 38, died of pneumonia at Richmond last week. He was a native of Birmingham, England.

Ramsey & Co. have now on hand the largest, best selected and cheapest stock of Plow and Wagon Gear in this market and THEY ARE SELLING THEM.

TOBACCO SALES.—J. M. Richart's purchases; near Forge Mill, John Vice's at 8c.

Purchases of Cud Snedegar, of Wyoming; near Forge Mill, crop of R. J. Ferguson and John Vice at 8c; crop of James Lyons and John Vice at 8c.

T. S. Shroat has on hand a complete line of new Ruggies and Phaetons which he will trade you for an old one or for a horse or mule. Prices very low for new buggies for cash or trade.

Elder T. S. Tinsley will preach at Wyoming next Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m.; at White Oak Church the second Sunday in May at 3 o'clock p. m. He had seven calls for meetings Monday. He will hold a meeting at Farmers' next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

CORN MILL.—I have bought Clark Crouch's corn mill in town. Regular grinding days are Friday and Saturday. Meal exchanged for corn at any time my customers bring it. S. P. ATCHISON.

FINE HORSES SOLD.—Samuel Estill, of near Grange City, recently sold a gelding for \$125, and E. D. Anderson one of same for \$150, to J. B. Day, of Fleming Co. These fine horses were the progeny of Phillips & Anderson's horse Carlisle, No. 689, which is now at John Ragan's, Mt. Sterling, and will make the season there.

Buy a "Front Rank" Corn Drill, a Tiger Disc Harrow, an Acme Pulverizing Harrow, and you will raise more corn per acre than you have ever done in your life.

JOHN A. RAMSEY & CO.

Y. M. C. A. ADDRESS.—Dr. J. A. Stucky, of Lexington, former President of the State Board of the Y. M. C. A. and at present a member of the State Executive Board, delivered an address to men only on Sunday at the Methodist Church on the subject "The Old Homestead."

At night his address was on the subject "The Old Kentucky Home," to a mixed audience. The illustrations and songs were said to be very appropriate to the subjects. The audiences were very much affected. Men and boys who never before displayed emotion on such occasions were much wrought up and tears flowed freely. Dr. Stucky made a deep impression and his admirers will hail his next visit with pleasure.

This is to certify that I worked the horse J. S. Brown a few weeks last season and in that short time he showed a 2:20 gait. Barring accidents he will beat a 2:20 gait this season.

March 29th, 1898.

GEORGE W. BASCOM.

GUDGELL-MARRY WEDDING.—The marriage of Mr. Howard C. Gudgell and Miss Sudie Maury was to take place on Tuesday, April 12th, and as it would be too late to get a direct report of the ceremony for this week's issue of THE OUTLOOK we are compelled to confine our mention to the intended programme, as reported to us. The wedding was to be a quiet one, without any bridesmaids or groomsmen, the ceremony to be performed by Rev. M. M. Benton at the Advent Episcopal Church in Louisville. The bride and groom will return to Owingsville Saturday. No formal reception will be made.

The bride is the second youngest daughter of Dr. Joseph F. Maury, deceased. Her parents dying while she was a young child, she was reared by her cousin, Mrs. John T. Kimbrough. She is a young lady of much refinement and is well accomplished. Since her advent into society she has been one of the most popular young ladies in social circles and is admired and esteemed by all who know her.

Howard C. Gudgell is one of Owingsville's most popular young men. He is the youngest child of Reuben Gudgell, the prominent attorney, and has for some years been associated with his father in the large law practice of R. Gudgell & Son. Howard is a cheery-natured, big-hearted young man and one whose host of friends will delight to see prosper and climb the ladder to popularity and fame. The success of his suit in winning the heart and hand of his fair and charming bride pleases his friends beyond measure, and they hope a similar success may attend him through life. To him and his happy bride THE OUTLOOK tenders its felicitations and hopes life may be to them "one grand, sweet song."

A pure whisky agrees with any food, in fact aids digestion. It tones the stomach, increases the flow of the gastric juices and so promotes strength and flesh. A pure whisky like HARPER Whisky. Sold by

YOUNG & LANE, Owingsville, Ky.

J. W. Cook's DEATH.—J. W. Cook died at his home at Salt Lick Monday night, April 11th, at 8:45 o'clock. Mr. Cook had long been ill and suffered greatly; hence death came as a blessed relief.

The funeral occurred at 4 o'clock p. m. April 12th. Elder T. S. Tinsley conducted the services at the interment, which took place in the Owingsville Cemetery.

Deceased was born Dec. 23d, 1819. It is believed that he was a native of Bourbon county. He has carried on business for several years past along the line of the C. & O. rail road. He was a fine business man and accumulated a fair competency. He was twice married, and two sons survive of the first union. One son is about grown and is attending school in Missouri. The other son is younger. Mr. Cook a few years ago married Miss Dora Gault, of this town, his second wife. She survives him. No children were born to them.

Mr. Cook stood high in the regard of each community in which he lived and was also well known and highly esteemed in this town. His devoted wife has the profound sympathy of all in her bereavement.

TOBACCO REPORT.—EXPRESSLY FOR THE OUTLOOK BY J. S. PHILIPS & CO., PLANTERS WAREHOUSE.—LOUISVILLE, April 9, 1898.—Receipts and sales this week show a decided falling off, and are smaller than they have been any week since January of this year. The market on Tuesday and Wednesday was dull and irregular; prices on the medium grades that sold from \$11 to \$14 were very unsatisfactory to sellers, and rejections were very liberal in these kinds. On Thursday and Friday the bidding was decidedly more animated; prices more satisfactory to sellers. All the indications point to a very light business for the remainder of this month, and we see no reason why prices should not go back to where they were the early part of March. The percentage of rejections this week was 31 per cent. This clearly indicates that holders are not willing to take present prices.

In Old Kentucky the offerings were small and largely confined to the common, faked smokers without color. These kinds showed a little more life than last week, but are still much below the prices that ruled for them during February. The colored smokers selling below \$7.50 met with fair competition. The few bids, of common to medium old that appeared in good condition sold fairly well. Very little good Old leaf offered, and the demand for it at prices above \$13 was limited.

WAR NOT FUN.—Olympia, Ky.—To THE PEOPLE OF BATH: I have gone through four years of war and know what it is. I am satisfied that the ones that are egging it on weren't in the battles of Shiloh, Lookout Mountain, Resaca, and others, as I was. I today stand firmly with McKinley to keep it down as long as it is right, but I say when it has to come Mack will be as willing as any man in Congress, although they appear so keen for it. When I rolled up my flag in the spring of Sixty-five little did I believe that I should see her unrolled again for the purpose of coming out on the battle-field. I am at peace with all nations under fair and honest compromises. But that is all. If our flag or our people are mistreated I stand by them. I voted by them in my young days. I stood by my country in need. Today I stand to the President of these United States and my flag; but, still, I am not as able as I was in '61. But if it has to come I am as willing. Boys, it is a heap easier to say this on paper than it is to face the mouth of a cannon. When I talk to an old soldier he prays that this thing can be settled with-out any bloodshed, as it takes the best blood and the best men on earth. What we may now expect, I claim, if it has to come and does come, it is shall have the world to fight and we can prepare ourselves for the biggest thing that has ever been in history.

J. K. JACKSON.

COURT DAY.—Owing to Sunday's rain farmers were mostly at leisure and came to town in large numbers Monday. However, not much attention was given to the stock trade, and that business was inactive. Much discussion was given to the threatened war between the United States and Spain.

Only about 75 cattle were offered and they were not all sold, prices not being so strong as on recent Court days. A few sows and some shoats sold at low prices because of the prevalence of hog cholera in some localities. There was a big improvement in the prices of horses.

Some five or six stallions were on exhibition. Some were stylish and showed up well.

Nearly all the merchants were interviewed in regard to trade. In the majority of instances business was reported to have been fair. Some had a highly satisfactory trade, as they speak for themselves in the following:—

Eugene Minihan—"Biggest day I have had in a long time. All hands busy from early in the morning till late in the afternoon."

S. P. Atchison—"I have done well. Better than last Court day."

John A. Ramsey & Co.—"Had all we could do. All of us worked down."

Vic Bloomfield & Co.—"The best

day we have had in a long time."

Joseph Bloomfield, manager, was counting his cash. It looked to the reporter more like a bank pile than the day's sales of a dry-goods store.

Mrs. D. S. Estill—"The biggest Court day I have ever had since I have been in business, and the beauty of it all is I got the cash for my goods."

PERSONAL.

Reuben Gudgell went to Carlisle Friday on law business.

Mrs. Robert Coyle is seriously sick at her home in town.

Joseph Salmon, of Ashland, is spending a few days here.

Major Geo. M. Hampton, of Moorefield, was in town Tuesday.

James Harvey Rice, of Helena, came Friday on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. Blanche Miller and family moved to Olympia Tuesday to reside.

Misses Nellie Kimbrough and Ellen Gillon are visiting friends in Louisville.

Osmond F. Byron went to Stampington Ground, Scott Co., Friday, returning Monday.

Leslie Payne and Ed Moxley, of Montgomery Co., visited James Ross Sunday night.

Misses Cora and Myrtle Stout and Rosa Phipps, accompanied by Will Stout, called at this office Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Deitrich, of Robertson county, visited Mrs. D. S. Estill, Geo. A. Peed, Saturday and Sunday.

Dr. A. B. Boyd, of Paris, spent several days with his father-in-law, Squire Thomas J. Hendrix, last and this week.

Mrs. Mary F. Carter and daughter, Mrs. W. S. Reeves, of Mt. Sterling, are visiting Alfred Carter and family, east of town.

Neri Sweetnam's 16-months-old baby boy, of near Reynoldsville, was somewhat better Monday of an attack of pneumonia.

Wm. McClure, an esteemed citizen of the Springfield neighborhood, is down with pneumonia. It is hoped that nothing serious will result.

Ewing Conner and Bige Wells returned Tuesday from North Carolina, where they had spent the winter selling mules and horses. They report a prosperous trip.

Misses Ethel and Daisy Hazelrigg, Wm. G. Ramsey, D. B. Brother, Glenn Perry and Clarence Power witnessed the Old Maids' Convention at Sharpshurg Friday night.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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Wyoming.

Ollie Coons and Ford Patterson spent Sunday with Dr. William O. Phillips.

Thos. S. Shroat, of Owingsville, spent Sunday with the family of J. T. Atchison.

Johnnie Hawkins, of Hillsboro, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Sam Davis, this week.

Mrs. Dr. Feland, Miss Jennie and W. L. Feland, of Reynoldsville, visited the family of Jeff L. Atchison Sunday.

W. O. Phillips has returned from Cincinnati, where he is trying to acquire the title of M. D. He will be with us during the summer.

Misses Rosa Phipps, Cora and Myrtle Stout and Will Stout, of Montgomery county, visited Misses May and Eva Estill Saturday and Sunday.

A literary society was organized Saturday evening with Will E. Estill, Pres.; Dr. W. S. Reeves, Vice Pres.; J. D. Myers, Sec.; Omar Bayler, Treas. Program for the next meeting, select readings and debates. Resolved That we shall be entitled to the right of suffrage.

Olympia.

The steel was removed from the old mine track the past week.

Horton Young, one of our enterprising boys, has secured a position as clerk for Douglas Smith at Salt Lick.

Keep your eyes open over there, South Side! There is quite a number of things in this old world that you have not seen.

Mrs. Winchester Dickerson, accompanied by her daughter Agnes and Miss Lillie Young, was in Mt. Sterling last week.

H. P. Adams, foreman of the Pendergast Lumber Co. here, turned his business over to William E. Houston and returned to his home in Ohio last week.

Bro. C. A. Bromley was accompanied by his regular appointment at Fairview Saturday by his wife, Presiding Elder Robertson and wife, G. W. Young, Mrs. M. T. Case.

G. C. Thomas returned last week from a visit to his home in Ohio. His daughter, Mrs. Phil Lodge, accompanied him here to reside with her husband, who is in the saw-mill business here.

Knob Lick.

Still we are having some bad weather.

Sunday was a fine day up to the middle of the day.

## BE EARLY If You Would Pick Prizes.

The choicest patterns are always to be found at the opening of the season when stocks are unbroken. The showing for spring is now at its best. Our stock is complete, so now is the time to select

### YOUR SPRING SUIT.

Come and see our unlimited variety. Come and see our matchless qualities. Come and see our faultless styles. Come and see our unequalled makes. Come and see our SUITS for

\$3.75, 4.98, 7.48, 9.50, 12.75

Bring your boys here when they need their spring and summer clothing. We make a specialty of children's clothing that's made to last. The price is just the same as you pay for clothing that does not last half as long. Some of our suit's prices are

75c, \$1.25, 1.50, 2.50 up to 4.00

We say that we give the public better

CLOTHING, DRY GOODS, SHOES, &c.

for less money than any other house in the city of Owingsville.

Let us prove to you that what we say is true. Remember our business methods: WE PAY THE MONEY BACK IF PURCHASE IS NOT SATISFACTORY.

We will place on our bargain counter remnants of Dress Goods, Satin, Gingham, Calico, Cotton, Hamburg and Lace, which we sell you at half price. Be early and pick your choice.

## FREE! FREE!

County Court Day we will give with every purchase of \$5 or more a 10-yr. Calico dress pattern.

"Blue Front" Cash Store,  
VIC BLOOMFIELD & CO.,  
GILLON'S OLD STAND,  
OWINGSVILLE, KY.

Albion Shroat, of Prickly Ash, visited the Knobs Sunday.

The R. R. Iron Co. are shipping some 10 to 12 cars of ore daily; from 20 to 21 tons.

There was quite a crowd at the Knobs Sunday; several from Sharpshurg and vicinity.

Very few cattle for the market this week; less than I have ever noticed for an April Court.

There has been but very little farming done for several days. There have been a few potatoes planted.

The Democratic party promises to do something if it is only given a chance. Seems to me I have heard that somewhere before.

There is considerable sickness in this vicinity. Sam Snelling has two children very sick with pneumonia. Wm. Hunt has been poorly, but is some better. J. M. Collier and wife have a gripe.

The chicken thieves are getting in their work. Charley Warren lost 10 last week. There was some one at Turner Hunt's chicken house one night last week, but got no chickens, owing to the door being locked and the dog scared him away. He dropped a stub of a cigar at the door.

There seems to be a growing disposition on the part of some that where any one has more than he needs it is public property and must be appropriated to their own use and benefit. I believe in charity, but object to dispensing it in that way to a set of rascals who have no conception of an honest day's work and an honest motive.

JUST THE SAME.

You hate to be bought and you hate to be sold.

You hate to be forced to pay Shylock in gold.

You hate the hard times, but you are bound to die game.

You hate 'em, but you vote for 'em just the same.

You hate politicians that swagger and rant.

You hate a good deal of the old party cant.

You hate a large share of the ticket bound to die game.

You hate to be trampled in a financial way.

You hate great frauds going on day by day.

You curse in your soul the corruptions you blame.

You curse it but vote for it just the same.

You long for good laws and prosperous times.

And you want to see hoodlums sent up for their crimes.



**PLOWS!**  
Farmers, you want THE BEST! The VULCAN CHILLED; The BRINLEY STEEL. —AND— HALL'S HILLSIDE PLOWS are THE BEST. It don't cost you a cent to try them. I am the original LOW PRICE plow man. Have saved you dollars on Oliver Plow Points and can save you more. Come and see the only stock of home-made SADDLES, HARNESS, PLOW GEARING, WAGON BREECHING, CHECK LINES, BRIDLES, &c., in town: "THE BEST GOODS, THE LOWEST PRICES."

EUGENE MINIHAN, OWINGSVILLE, KY.

## S. P. ATCHISON,

Dealer in Drugs, Groceries, Fruits, Fine Candies, Stationery and Perfumes. Also Agents for OLD BARTON WHISKIES and Fine Wines. Call at Corner Drug Store and Get Prices.

## Kentucky Crop Report.

Condition of Crops and Live Stock April 1, 1898.

For the April Crop Report replies were received from 168 correspondents, representing 105 counties.

WHEAT.

The wheat crop averages, for all sections of the State, 101, being an improvement of 10 points during the month of March. On April 1, 1897, the condition was 94. Considering the crop by the three subdivisions, western, central and southeastern, we find the highest average condition in the central section, 103. In the western section the condition is 102, while the few counties reporting from the southeastern section show an average of 98. On March 1 the condition by sections was: Western 93; central 94; no estimate being given for the southeastern.

Remarks of correspondents show practical universal satisfaction with the prospect, an occasional complaint of too much rain being the only exception.

OATS.

The estimated acreage of oats compared with the acreage of 1897 is 91 per cent. of the acreage of that year. It is largest in the western section, 96, and smallest in the central section, 84. In the southeastern section it is 92 per cent. of 1897 acreage.

Much of the crop was sown early and this is growing nicely. Rain has of late greatly interfered with the work of sowing and the crop will, on this account, be divided into two clearly defined parts, the very early and the very late.

TOBACCO.

Every indication points to a largely increased acreage of tobacco both in burley and dark districts. Plant beds show an excellent condition, especially in the western section (dark tobacco); there the condition, as compared with normal, is 108. In the central section (burley) the condition is 103, and the southeastern section (principally burley) the condition is 101.

SHEEP AND SPRING LAMBS.

The revival of the industry of sheep raising does not, so far, appear to be manifesting itself in an increased production of spring lambs; the number as compared with 1897 being 92 per cent. of the production of that year. The central section leads with a production of 95 per cent., as compared with 1897. In the western section the number is 92 per cent.; while in the southeastern section the number is but 88 per cent.

The percentage of loss by dogs during the past year is 6 per cent. for the State. The western section suffered the greatest loss, 7 per cent. The central section lost 5 per cent., and the southeastern section 6 per cent.

PASTURES.

Pastures are in a very advanced stage for the season, and continuance of present conditions will enable farmers to put stock to graze three weeks in advance of the average date.

FRUIT PROSPECTS.

April finds the fruit prospect unusually bright. Apples, peaches, pears, cherries, grapes and strawberries all promise full crops at present, but danger lies thick in the path on account of the unusual advancement of the buds. In the western section the condition of the various fruits are: Apples, 98; peaches, 99; pears, 101; cherries, 95; grapes, 98, and strawberries, 93. In the central section the conditions are: Apples, 99; peaches, 101; pears, 100; cherries, 99; grapes, 96, and strawberries, 75. In the southeastern section the conditions are: Apples, 100; peaches, 102; pears, 100; cherries, 95; grapes, 93, and strawberries, 99.

LUCAS MOORE, Commissioner of Agriculture.

The British-Egyptian forces won a battle at Athara on the Upper Nile against Mahmoud Pasha's army of Dervishes, numbering 18,000. The Dervishes left 2,000 dead on the field, including many important officers. The shrapnel shells slaughtered them even in the rifle-pits and intrenchments until they were literally full of dead bodies. It is believed that 3,000 Dervishes were killed. The British force numbered 13,000. Their loss was comparatively slight. The Dervishes were poor war-men.

See the Opening Game at Louisville April 17th.

Only \$1.50 round trip from Preston to Louisville Sunday, April 17th, on account of the opening game of Base Ball, Louisville vs. Pittsburgh. Limited vestibuled trains. Pleasant ride. Everybody is going. G. W. BARNY, Dis











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SUBSCRIPTION, \$1 YEAR IN ADVANCE.

NOTICE.—Obituaries, memorials, etc., not to exceed 80 words, inserted free; \$1 charged for each additional eighty words.

Correspondents will please remember to always mail their items so that they will reach us on Monday. This matter is seriously important to us.

### CLUBBING TERMS.

The Owingsville Outlook and either of the following will be sent for one year for the price named:

Outlook and Twice-a-Week Courier-Journal, \$1.50.  
Outlook and Weekly Cincinnati Commercial Tribune, \$1.40.  
Outlook and Louisville Weekly Dispatch, \$1.70.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1898.

### Latest War News.

Tuesday's papers brought the text of the President's message to Congress regarding the Cuban question. It is in this issue of THE OUTLOOK.

The message is said to be a great disappointment to the majority of Congress, though the House is disposed to follow the President, while the Senate threatens to take the matter in its own hands. Such a course would probably result in a dead lock, and the President would still lead.

The Spanish populace are wild for war. A mob started in Madrid, but was dispersed.

Spain is concentrating a large fleet at the Canary Islands and is sending a large force of soldiers there, intending that as a base of operations, it is said.

### War a New Art Now.

According to army experts, the art of war on the battlefield is now largely a matter of theory and experiment, owing to the improvements in weapons and ammunition since the last war between great nations. Nothing short of actual experience will develop the style of tactics most effective. Artillery of the approved modern kind is immeasurably superior to either the old smooth-bore cannon or the muzzle-loading rifled cannon. Rapid-firing, breech-loading guns compose field batteries now. Their range and accuracy are a matter of scientific determination. Their destructiveness is fearful. Temporary fortifications and field entrenchments of the old style are of less protection now against the solid shells or shrapnel shells. Artillery will, as formerly, play an important part in battle.

In small arms the improvement is proportionately greater. The army rifles of most large nations now are repeating weapons of the accuracy of a sporting arm and with a range of two miles or more. Sharpshooting will be a particular feature of battles, and marksmanship a prime qualification of the efficient private soldier. Small calibers are favored,—30 (three tenths of an inch in diameter) or less. The United States standard army rifle is of 30 caliber. The bullet is a lead-core, oval-pointed steel cylinder weighing 220 grains, or a little over a half ounce avoirdupois. The powder charge is 40 grains of black or its equivalent in smokeless powder. The Government has recently contracted for these cartridges at \$18.50 per thousand. The velocity and penetration are immense, and a shot through the human body, bones and all, would be a straight continuation of the line of the bullet's flight. Perhaps at short range it would pass through the bodies of a dozen men ranged in a row one behind the other. The effect on the fleshy tissues around the wound is fearful also, tearing and disintegrating them for some inches.

The range, the accuracy, and the repeating feature of these rifles render the old form of bayonet or cavalry charge practically obsolete. Infantry in line of battle, with reasonably good marksmanship, using smokeless powder, could mow down a bayonet charge or a cavalry charge in almost a leisurely way. Hence, according to experts, actual experience must yet determine the style of tactics necessary to meet the modern conditions. It is said that battles now must largely depend on the squad officer and on the individual soldier's general efficiency, thus returning somewhat to the semi-independent style of fighting employed by the Indians and learned from them and adopted by the white Indian fighters of the West in the old days.

The veteran of the Civil War would find the most of his experience on the battlefield of no value now. He would have to learn an entirely new set of tricks. Then a fence-rail, a chunk or a little pile of dirt was accounted a fair protection against the leaden balls fired from the clumsy, kicking old musket that seldom hit what it was aimed at. Such cover now would be almost as slight as a thickness of paper against the steel messengers of death fired from a weapon as accurate as the old-fashioned squirrel rifle and with a range as far as a man could be distinctly seen.

The machine gun is another formidable weapon, that will figure importantly on the battlefield. The Federals at Gettysburg at Pickett's

famous charge could have swept away the whole rebel line with Gatling or Maxim guns. Experts with these guns distributed along a battle line would make almost any sort of charge in the old-fashioned way suicidal to the opposing line.

Automatic guns firing dynamite are another sort of weapon that may prove to be the most destructive of all artillery. They are a new invention. The Cuban insurgents have some of them, though but little has been heard of them. They are necessarily yet of short range, owing to the danger of exploding the charge in the weapon.

All these improvements induce in military authorities the conviction that battles in the field will partake largely of the nature of sieges, operations, and strategic skill will determine the issue, rather than dash and brilliancy as in former times.

MODERN war means something infinitely more terrible than war during the conflict between the States. As an instance, there is a mortar battery on Sandy Hook, tending the approaches to New York City. This battery contains sixty 12-inch rifled mortars. The ocean within range of the battery is laid off in imaginary squares and the battery trained on some one of these squares. An officer, in an armored turret remote from the battery, with a scientific rangefinder locates a hostile fleet on the square and instantly fires by electric connection the whole battery, each gun shooting an explosive shell weighing half a ton. Thus a fleet would be caught in a shower of 60,000 pounds of exploding metal each discharge. Each discharge of the battery costs \$50,000; one hour's active firing, \$1,000,000. It is thought that no ship could last through such a shower of missiles. This battery is so hidden in deep sand pits and surrounded by natural scenery that it is difficult for its own officers to locate it from the sea.

The rush to the Klondike has been neglected in the newspapers of late, owing to the war news overshadowing all else. However, news came of the recent destruction of the Chilcoot trail of thirty to fifty people by an avalanche of snow. The general condition of affairs in the whole Alaskan and Klondike country is reported to be fearful, and will probably continue so until progress and progress are made comparatively easy by the construction of railroads. It is questionable that discovery will for at least a year or two more add anything to the aggregate wealth of the world. The percentage of good strikes is small, and the expenses incurred by the rushing hordes are enormous in the aggregate. The loss of life among the argonauts is probably greater in proportion than of an army in active war.

Spain has sent the two first-class armored cruisers Maria Teresa and Cristobal Colon to augment the already formidable torpedo flotilla at the Cape Verde Islands ready to start to America. If that fleet effects a junction with the Vizeya and Oquendo at Porto Rico the United States will have to make up her strongest squadron to meet it in case of war.

ONE of the first war measures to increase the revenue will be an increased tax on beer and all forms of manufactured tobacco. Then will come bank checks, drafts, deeds, mortgages, proprietary medicines and similar goods. The tax on liquor can not be raised, because an increased tax would provide less revenue than the present one, owing to decreased consumption.

BORN the United States and Spain are rushing preparations as if war was a foregone conclusion. If Spain was as expert in war as she is in diplomacy the United States would cut a rather sorry figure. Spain squeals and rackets like she was getting hurt, but she like the Administration and must be really laughing in her sleeve.

DIPLOMACY has involved the Cuban question in seemingly inextricable confusion, and the Cuban threat to fight Uncle Sam makes the confusion worse confounded. A three-cornered fight, each against the other two, would be about the queerest spectacle in all the world. It would be what the boys call "a beauty."

BARON ROTHSCHILD, the Parisian head of the famous family of bankers, is reported to have said that he will present a warship to Spain, who has his warmest love and sympathy. The Hebrew race has no reason to love Spain, and the Baron may be playing it deep and devilishly.

THE President asks for power to make peace in Cuba. He doesn't want either recognition of independence or belligerent rights on the part of the Cubans. If Congress acquiesces and grants him the power without stipulations it will be interesting to see the insurgent attitude.

THE Mt. Sterling Gazette has joined the rapidly increasing ranks of Kentucky semi-weekly country newspapers. THE OUTLOOK admires the pluck of its progressive rural contemporaries, but is content to get no richer last by means of the time-honored weekly issue.

THE United States has recently added to the Navy by purchase two 3,500 ton cruisers, one 1,800 ton cruiser, and two fast torpedo boats, all designed originally for war ships; also, four cruisers of over 4,500 tons each, which will be armed for commerce destroyers; three big fast yachts, for torpedo boat destroyers; nine small fast yachts, for torpedo boats; besides tugs, colliers, transports, etc.; making a total of 49 new vessels, of some 35,000 tons displacement.

SPAIN begged the great powers to plead with her for an armistice of a sort that neither the insurgents nor the United States want. She jumped at the chance to comply with the request made by her request and now points with Spanish pride to a concession granted the powers, but would have been scorned if the United States had made it. Spain's pride and subterfuges are really pitiful and compassion for her weaknesses will assert itself amidst all of her bragadoos.

GEN. MILES desire for a bird-of-paradise uniform for officers called out adverse comment. His latest idea in the uniform line for private soldiers is a dress of dull brown canvas that is inconspicuous in battle and cool in warm weather, though serviceable in cold weather with heavy woolen under garments,—a style of dress that is much in favor with gunning sportsmen. The idea seems to be a good one. Ten thousand uniforms of that kind have been ordered.

CONSUL GENERAL LEE, and many other Americans, including Miss Clara Barton of the Red Cross Society, left Havana for the United States Saturday evening at six o'clock. Gen. Lee called to say good bye to Gen. Blanco, but Blanco was "too busy" to see Gen. Lee. About all the consuls and other Americans have left Cuba and Porto Rico. The Minister and consuls in Spain are given discretion to leave or not.

THE United States asked Spain to declare an armistice. Spain refused, but at the last moment reconsidered and is willing. The Cubans don't want an armistice unless independence is the guaranteed end. Spain will have to ask the insurgents for an armistice. The insurgents want the advantage of hostilities during the unhealthy rainy season.

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"NAVY" is the magic word for the newsmongers to conjure with now. Even navy beans have an exceptional relish.

SPAIN could steal time from old procrastination himself.

FRANCE, Austria-Hungary and Italy are in sympathy with Spain; Germany, too, though a pretense of neutrality is made. Russia doesn't care a snap for either side. Great Britain really sympathizes with the United States. All yet profess neutrality in the event of war. There may be something known by the Administration that causes the dilatory policy; some fear of a European coalition.

A NEW YORK financier called in to consultation by the Administration gave the assurance that the national metropolis alone would on brief notice raise a war loan of \$300,000,000 at the Government's low days a half billion dollars could be raised.

A PATRIOTIC drug clerk in town frequently thumbs the index of his Dispensary for the word "Cantharis" in order to refer to the chapter and delight his soul with the sub-head "The Spanish Fly." It is so suggestive of the news headlines that he is eagerly anticipating.

WHETHER or not the Cubans' independence is officially recognized by the United States they proved their independent character by threatening to fight Uncle Sam if he invades the Island to stop the war without declaring Cuba's independence.

CREMATIONS grows steadily in favor among prominent people over earth burial. The body of Miss Frances Willard, the late chief of the W. C. T. U. movement, was cremated last week at Chicago, in accordance with her expressed wishes during life.

THE public is fed by the newspapers so as to take on its information in streaks—a streak of war one day, a streak of peace the next. So there is no yaller streak among them it'll be all right in the end.

OHIO has appropriated \$1,000,000 for a war fund. The Buckeye State will strive hard to be first in war—and to take a first mortgage on the offices, and thus continue the feudal mother of Presidents.

THE Duke of Veragua, Christopher Columbus' descendant who was on exhibition at the Columbian Fair, has contributed a bull fight in aid of Spain's war preparations. Now let the war go on.

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### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### Forge Hill.

Hog cholera is raging in Forge Hill vicinity.

Cornelius Carter had a fine cow to die Saturday night.

Miss Josie Barber visited her grandfather, Capt. Geo. Barber, on Sunday.

There is some attraction for the boys in Fleming county. Look out, boys, don't get left.

Joseph Williams and family and Thomas Whittington and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Williams.

#### East Fork of Flat Creek.

Several tobacco plant beds killed in this neighborhood.

Died, the 9th inst., infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Woodard.

A large crowd from this end of the county attended court at Owingsville Monday.

One day last week while Reuben Rodgers was punching a hole through an iron hoop a piece of steel flew in his eye, inflicting a very painful wound. The physician removed same, and Mr. Rodgers is getting along well.

#### Upper Prickly Ash.

C. G. Goodpastor went to Mt. Sterling Saturday on business.

Mrs. Will Phelps, who has been very sick for several weeks, is slowly improving.

Madam Rumor says there is to be a wedding in this neighborhood in the near future.

H. A. Lyter and wife visited relatives in Montgomery county Saturday and Sunday.

John E. Fleming bought a four-year-old saddle horse from G. W. McKinneman for \$85.

Mrs. Ella Hamilton, of Montgomery county, visited at Mrs. Francis Hamilton's the past week.

#### Preston.

Chas. Teal went to Owingsville Sunday.

Randolph Nixon visited at Flat Creek Sunday.

H. W. McDermott, of Olympia, was here Thursday.

Sam Humphrey and Elmer Warner went to Owingsville Sunday.

Bro. Dawson preached a very interesting sermon here Sunday eve.

H. M. Turley and wife, of Stepstone, visited here Sunday and Monday.

Tom Satterfield, of Flat Creek, visited his parents here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. H. O. Irwin, of Olympia, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jas. Horton, Thursday.

#### Sherburne.

John Overly was in Louisville this week on business.

William Ingram went to Poplar Plains to spend a few days with his sister. While there he became very ill.

Miss Lizzie Boyd Scott gave a birthday party to her young friends of this place on the evening of April 9th.

Easter exercises at the church were largely attended and many were the compliments on the young participants.

We are sorry to record the death of Mrs. Henry Burgess, of Tilton, which sad event occurred on the night of April 7th; interment at Flemingsburg Saturday.

#### Naylor's Branch.

W. T. Latham is much better of his sickness.

John M. Coyle lost by death a valuable mare.

Whooping cough is prevalent in this community.

Your scribe had a big time eating eggs Sunday.

There has been some corn planted in this neighborhood.

Wm. Horseman and wife visited relatives in Owingsville Sunday and Monday.

Died, at the home of his son-in-law, Wm. Manley, Benjamin Reed, aged about 75 years. Burial at the Collins graveyard April 7th.

#### Okla.

Miss Virginia McLain spent the week with Miss Anna McClure, of near Sherburne.

Miss Mary Markland, of White Oak, spent Friday with her sister, Mrs. Annie Gray.

Miss Anna Royce, of Grange City, visited her sister, Mrs. Mary Heddings, recently.

Misses Martha and Zela Riddle, of White Oak, visited relatives in this vicinity Sunday.

Jake Boyd, of Bethel Ridge, purchased of John Dargherty six head of hogs at 3 cents per pound.

Ed Anderson, wife and daughter, Miss Daisy, were in Owingsville one day last week shopping.

Revs. Robertson and Bromley began a protracted meeting at Fairview Sunday. We are expecting a great revival.

#### Flat Creek.

Willie Steele and wife visited at John Boaz's Sunday.

Several from here attended court in Owingsville Monday.

Miss Lellie Steele attended church at See's Sunday.

W. L. Parker has been very sick with measles for the last week.

Harvey Rice, of Mason Co., is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Walter Hamilton, of Prickly Ash, was in this vicinity last Friday.

Clark, the 15-year-old son of Flem Wells, is very low with pneumonia.

Miss Ruthie Darnell attended church at See's school-house Sunday eve.

Several from here are expecting to go to Carrington's Rock next Sunday.

Vamp Smoot, the champion Outlook reader, went to Knob Lick Sunday.

J. J. Mark sold and delivered his crop of tobacco to Peed & Goodpastor at 6¢.

Mrs. Jeff Rice is visiting her grandson, Matt Bean, in Winchester, this week.

Elder B. F. Parker preached to a large crowd at See's school-house last Sunday.

W. D. Cravens, of Judy, visited his sister, Mrs. John Boaz, several days last week.

Sanford Caudill, of Forge Hill, was here Sunday shaking hands with his many friends.

Miss Lee Young, a popular young lady of this place, is visiting in Bourbon this week.

Miss Addie Pieratt, of Montgomery Co., visited her parents, near this place, Saturday and Sunday.

Bob Gregory, who has been in this section for some time, returned to his home at Morehead Monday.

Your scribe received a bunch of Easter flowers last week. Many thanks to the one that sent them.

Mrs. Wm. Rice and daughter Catherine will leave in a few days for Cincinnati, where they will visit friends.

#### South Side.

Henry Deft left for Cuba Monday morning.

A man is quiet when he's dead; a woman is dead when she's quiet.

Ben Wright killed a large chicken hawk, measuring 4½ ft. from tip to tip.

Garnet Armitage visited Miss Nettie Colliers, at Rothwell, last Sunday.

Miss Eliza Kimbrell, of near Jeffersonville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Weed Lewis.

Several of the good neighbors assembled last week and cleaned off the Jones graveyard.

Married, Mr. Wes Ingram to Miss Easter Smith. May happiness and prosperity be theirs.

Gone where the weary are at rest and the wicked cease troubling: John Carrington's mustache.

From the amount of eggs our merchants are shipping the hens must be getting right down to business.

We will ask the West End correspondent why it is that he gathers his news from the East Side of the county.

After reading THE OUTLOOK we kindly hand it over to our mail to a friend. When you get hold of a good thing push it along.

The postmasters say THE OUTLOOK is getting to be quite a popular paper in this vicinity and is giving the best of satisfaction.

Married, by Rev. Wes Blevins, Mr. Will Epperson to Miss Joannie, the pretty and popular daughter of Will Moore. May the sunlight of happiness ever illumine their pathway.

He that has a sour disposition and is always ready to growl and "kick" should go up some dark alley and kick himself or get some one to accommodate him with a club.

In reply to the East Fork correspondent we will say that H. B. Armitage, our fertilizer agent, has formally established a coal factory and will be able to supply the demand.

Married, March 31st, Mr. Walter Griggs to Miss Lizzie, the pretty and industrious daughter of George Program, Elder J. W. Blevins officiating. We wish them a long and happy life.

Prof. E. C. Kimbrell, the irrepresible, on route to his home in Montgomery county stopped at his friend John Carrington's, where he met "South Side" and there was a hot time in the old town that night, you know.

We are told of a certain couple that are to marry today, but as we do not know it to be a fact we will not call names. We, however, expect to receive a bountiful supply of cake. We might send you a small slice, Mr. Editor.

Elder James Moore is past 92 years old and claims that he can do more work now than half the young men. We believe that is all true and think that when we are as old as Uncle Jimmie we will hardly be able to sit in a reclining chair.

The Spanish discovered our country in 1492. They left us a poor and helpless nation. It seems as if they think we are such yet. If they should attempt to invade our coast Uncle Sam might be a larger hog than they represent him in their papers.

It would be no trick at all to organize a whole regiment of fighting chaplains in South Side. There is hardly a preacher in the neighborhood who would not rather take a crack at Spain than to keep up the dreary old war on the run now.

We were recently informed that the South Side women would form an infantry company to go to Cuba. If the infantry company makes no better display when arrayed in military bloomers than the painfully large number of bicycle females the Spanish soldiers had better begin to practice at broomsticks.

Married, Mr. James McClain to Miss Ollie Wills. The bride is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Wash Wills, and the bridegroom is the handsome and popular son of Warrick McClain. Elder Wes Blevins, in a neat little speech, performed the ceremony that makes two hearts flutter as one. After the ceremony, accompanied by the attendants, Miss Belle McClain and Steve Warner, they returned to the home of the father of the groom, where a reception was given. We extend to Mr. and Mrs. McClain our congratulations.

Sensational preachers now insist that the whole country is going to hades because people no longer attend church regularly as they once did. It is not a hard matter to account for this seeming lack of Christian devotion. In olden times people went to church to hear the Gospel preached. They find it a much easier matter to prepare sermons on base ball, bicycling, and things of that kind than to go into the Sacred Scriptures for a text. Such sermons are not calculated to renew Christian vigor and are not looked upon kindly by those who have a desire to travel the straight and narrow way. It's not the people who are going to the devil—it's the sensationalism.

Moorefield.

Clarence Kish was home for Easter holiday.

The rain and snow have set back corn planting and gardening some days longer.

C. W. Durham and little son Ditzler have returned from Louisville, where the latter was treated by Dr. Parsons for stammering. We believe he is cured; at least he is greatly benefited.



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### Stepstone.

Miss Vernetta Cassity is lying at the point of death.

Asa Cronch's sister, Mrs. Tribou and children are visiting him.

Mrs. Wm. Mack, Mrs. Bittenger and Miss Lucy Myers are all convalescent.

Mrs. Dick Williams was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Doyle, last week.

Prudy Burns, of Ewington; K. P. Evans, of Farmers; R. T. Maxey, of Lexington Bible College; Mrs. Kate Wheatley, of Reynoldsville; Curran Maxey and wife, of Odessa; James Oliver and wife, of Mt. Sterling, were all to see H. L. Maxey, who is still lying at the point of death.

### Odessa.

Mrs. George Ann Dentley has been quite sick for the past week or two days.

Geo. and Thos. Boyd are both on the sick list. The latter has been quite poorly for several weeks.

J. T. Guggel sold to W. B. Powers, of Flat Creek, some shots Monday at \$3.05 per hundred pounds.

Wm. Hall and wife of Sharpsburg, visited the latter's parents, L. S. Doyle and wife, here the first of last week.

The many readers of THE OUTLOOK here enjoy reading the communication from the South Side; and especially the ladies request me to ask "Clodhopper" to state in his next letter how "Old Sorrel-top" is making it by this time.

[Delayed.]  
Aunt Louisa Dogget is convalescent.

Jeffie L. Darnell has entered school at Bath Seminary.

Two weddings expected soon. Guess 'em, all widows and widowers.

May Swetnam began teaching a subscription school at Upper White Oak Monday.

H. B. Anderson has the mumps; consequently he dismissed his school for a few days.

Jo A. Harber left Smithsboro, some say, Spain, and others say, on a matrimonial tour to Illinois.

A. J. Everman and Foster Freeman were in this community again Sunday. Any attraction? You bet!

The tobacco plants are mostly all killed by the freezes and frosts, and fruit, peaches in particular, is all killed.